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OFFICE OF INTELLIGENCE COORDINATION

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On 2 January 1951 the Deputy Director assigned to the Office of Intelligence Coordination the task of conducting a survey of the Agency's coordination arrangements. This survey is being undertaken by exploring with each office its existing interagency arrangements. O/IC is also assisting with current problems demanding solution.

Problems in which the Office of Intelligence Coordination is involved are listed on the attached pages with brief comment. In each case O/IC is either providing assistance to the Assistant Director(s) concerned or is carrying the main responsibility by agreement or assignment.

By making such a list available from time to time O/IC seeks to acquaint the Director, the Deputy Directors, and the Assistant Directors with the current business of O/IC and to provide them the opportunity to make suggestions with respect to these problems and their solution or to suggest other problems of which this office should be aware.

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INTERAGENCY PROBLEMS IN WHICH THE
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IS INVOLVED

(Note: The CIA components primarily concerned are indicated in the problem headings.)

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3. Biographic Intelligence (O/CD)

Problem: To recommend the most effective biographic facility for the Federal Intelligence System.

Status: Papers initiating survey are in the hands of the Staff officers to the IAC members.

4. O/SO-State Relations (O/SO, O/RR)

Problem: To explore the field of O/SO-State relations including problem of intelligence support for O/SO. Three support problems involved: (a) detailed area research (which may properly rest in O/RR) (b) responsibility for

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International Communism, and (c) biographic intelligence. Collateral problem is the evaluation of SO materials.

Status: Discussions have been held with State and O/SO. Further analysis on both sides is in progress.

5. Intelligence Support for O/PC (O/PC)

Problem: To arrange for intelligence support for O/PC in view of changes brought about by CIA reorganization and to recommend the necessary administrative adjustments.

Status: Discussions have been held with State and O/PC.

6. Requirements (O/NE, O/SI, O/RR, O/CD, O/CI)

Problem: (a) The overall intelligence objectives and their effects on collection, including the value of DCID 4/2 and the proposals in IAC-D-12 on atomic energy objectives. (b) The mechanics of screening and coordinating specific requirements.

Status: (a) Discussions on this question and on the revision of DCID 4/2 (as prepared by O/RR) are being initiated with O/NE, O/SI, O/RR, O/CD, and O/CI.
(b) Awaiting paper from the office of Management.

7. Psychological Intelligence Support (O/RR)

Problem: To recommend the necessary arrangements for interagency support of psychological warfare.

Status: Details have been discussed with State and discussions are being initiated with other IAC agencies.

8. NSC 29 - Protection of Strategic Resources and Industrial Facilities Abroad (I&S)

Problem: To recommend the location of responsibility for investigation and intelligence research for this purpose.

Status: State has agreed that neither investigation nor research is essentially a CIA function. State as action agency and coordinator on this project is drafting an analysis of the needs which a central operation on this project would have once State's interagency committee has defined the targets.

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9. Foreign Nationality Groups in the U. S. (O/O)

Problem: To recommend coordinated interagency procedures by which the intelligence potential of foreign nationality groups and individuals in the U. S. can be adequately exploited.

Status: State suggested in discussions of 19 December 1950 that CIA should coordinate this activity. O/O has prepared a memorandum indicating what is being done and the difficulties in the way of further action, and recommending certain interagency coordination. Letter is in preparation for D/DCI's signature.

10. Economic Interpretation of Photographic Materials (O/RR)

Problem: To examine what CIA should do on this matter, and what should be done through interagency collaboration.

Status: State suggested in discussion of 19 December 1950 that CIA investigate this matter. O/RR is studying the proposal and possibilities.

11. NIS (O/RR)

Problem: To examine the necessity and the means of intensifying the National Intelligence Survey production program in order to meet imminent requirements for basic intelligence.

Status: A memorandum from the interagency NIS Committee is under informal consideration with Staff officers to the IAC members for appraisal before submission to the IAC.

12. The Scientific Intelligence Committee (O/SI)

Problem: To examine the problems of O/SI in the field of interagency coordination in the production of scientific reports and estimates and in the preparation of coordinated production plans and to make appropriate recommendations.

Status: Exploration is going forward.

13. Debriefing of Returning U. S. Officials (O/RR, O/O)

Problem: To recommend the location of responsibility for debriefing.

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Status: Informal interagency discussions have been completed. A memorandum is before the D/DCI recommending transfer of the function from O/RR to O/O and suggesting improvements.

14. Briefing of Outgoing Military Attaches (IOP 2) (O/RR)

Problem: To examine whether CIA should continue this briefing in view of the changes brought about by CIA reorganization.

Status: Concurrence being sought from military agencies for the transfer of this function to the State Department.

15. Foreign Service Economic Reporting (O/RR, O/CD)

Problem: To prepare a coordinated CIA reply to the Bureau of the Budget report on this subject.

Status: Reply being coordinated with O/RR, O/CD, and Management.

16. Exploitation of Captured Sources (O/O)

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Status: JIG has submitted basic directives and detailed manuals for CIA concurrence. The basis of representation and detailed arrangements are being negotiated.

17. State Department Cables (O/CI)

Problem: To arrange for the continued availability of top State Department cables for O/CI.

Status: Negotiations with State under way.

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Status: Under study with O/CD and I&S.

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